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The Notorious B.I.G.: A Hip-Hop Legend

Short Answer Key

1. The Notorious B.I.G., born as Christopher George Latore Wallace, grew up in the Bedford-Stuyvesant neighborhood of Brooklyn, New York. He faced the challenges of a tough environment marked by poverty and crime.
2. Biggie Smalls had a distinctive deep voice and intricate lyrics that set him apart in the hip-hop scene. He rose to fame after being discovered by Sean Combs (Puff Daddy) and signing with Bad Boy Records.
3. The East Coast-West Coast rivalry during the 1990s was a feud between hip-hop artists from the East Coast, led by Biggie Smalls, and the West Coast, led by Tupac Shakur. This rivalry played out in their music and personal lives, leading to tension and conflicts.
4. The tragic death of The Notorious B.I.G. in a drive-by shooting in Los Angeles in 1997 had a profound impact on the hip-hop community. His lasting legacy includes his influence on future artists and his classic albums like "Ready to Die."

